Finance (Elective VIII)

Course Title: Financial Derivatives

Course Code :	17BA4T6FA	External Marks	: 60
Core / Elective:	Core	Internal Marks	: 40
Credits :	3	Contact Periods	: 3
Year/Semester:	II year/II semester	Tutorial Periods	: 2

Course Objectives

This course seeks:

- 1. To create awareness in detail regarding financial instruments such as options, futures, swaps and other derivative securities.
- 2. To familiarize the students with the characteristics of financial derivatives and their relationships with the underlying assets.
- 3. To enable the students to understand issues pertaining to pricing and hedging with options on individual stocks and indexes, to examine forwards and futures contracts for equity indexes, commodities, and currencies.
- 4. To introduce the second generation derivative products such as interest rates and the management of credit risks.
- 5. To provide a detailed understanding of the valuation principles and models for derivatives and use them for a wide range of hedging, trading and arbitrage purposes.

Course Outcomes

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Outline various types of derivatives including options, futures, and swaps etc.
- 2. Interpret the trading mechanism of derivatives.
- 3. Differentiate between various trading strategies using options and futures
- 4. Analyze the value of options using option pricing models.
- **5.** Demonstrate the use of swaps in risk management.
- **Unit 1- Introduction:** Forwards and futures contracts- Other derivatives -Trading regulation -Index futures Futures on currencies Interest rate futures Derivatives market in India.
- **Unit 2- Options Market:** Properties of stock options Mechanics of option markets Underlying assets Stock options Warrants- Executive stock options- Convertibles.
- **Unit 3- Trading Strategies:** Strategies involving options Spread- Combinations- Other payoffs -Options on indices Hedging Strategies using Derivatives.
- **Unit 4- Options Valuation:** Binomial model One-step and two step binomial trees Black-Schools model Log normal property of stock prices Volatility Causes of volatility.

Unit 5- Swaps: Currency swaps - Interest rate swaps - Equity swaps - Credit derivatives - Credit default swaps - Caps and floors.

Case Study: Compulsory. Relevant cases have to be discussed in each unit.

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- 5. Franklin Edwards and Cindy Ma, "Futures and Options", Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi.
- 6. Gupta S L., "Financial Derivatives: Theory, Concepts and Problems", Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.
- 7. John C. Hull, "Options, Futures and Other Derivatives", Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.
- 8. Kumar S SS, "Financial Derivatives", Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.
- 9. Preeti Singh, "Financial Institutions", Ane Books India, New Delhi.
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- 11. Satyanarayana Chary T, "Financial Derivatives", Excel Books, New Delhi.